



## **William P. Hampton Named Detroit Municipal Law Lawyer of the Year**

Best Lawyers, the oldest and most respected peer-review publication in the legal profession, has named William P. Hampton as the “Detroit *Best Lawyers* Municipal Law Lawyer of the Year” for 2012.

After more than a quarter of a century in publication, Best Lawyers is designating “Lawyers of the Year” in high-profile legal specialties in large legal communities. Only a single lawyer in each specialty in each community is being honored as the “Lawyer of the Year.”

Best Lawyers compiles its lists of outstanding attorneys by conducting exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The current, 18<sup>th</sup> edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* (2012) is based on more than 3.9 million detailed evaluations of lawyers by other lawyers.

Steven Naifeh, President of Best Lawyers, says, “We continue to believe – as we have believed for more than 25 years – that recognition by one’s peers is the most meaningful form of praise in the legal profession. We would like to congratulate William P. Hampton on being selected as the ‘Detroit *Best Lawyers* Municipal Law Lawyer of the Year’ for 2012.”

Mr. Hampton, a former Oakland County Circuit Court Judge and state legislator, has been listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 1995 in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Family Law, Land Use and Zoning, Real Estate Law, and Municipal Law. He is currently serving as attorney for the Cities of Bloomfield Hills and Auburn Hills and for the Townships of Bloomfield and West Bloomfield. He is also currently serving as special counsel for the cities of Pontiac and Royal Oak. Mr. Hampton is a member of the, Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys, Michigan Judges Association, Michigan Municipal League, Oakland County Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, Who’s Who in American Law, and the American College of Trial Lawyers.